Wisconsin/DOD Pollution Prevention Alliance

Meeting Minutes

Combat Readiness Training Center

Volk Field, Wisconsin

September 5, 2002

- 1. PLACE: The meeting was called to order at 1015 hours in the Base Civil Engineering Conference Room, Building 331, Volk Field. Al Balliett chaired the meeting and Hugh McAlear served as Recorder.
- 2. INTRODUCTIONS: The attendees introduced themselves for the benefit of the Speaker.
- 3. AGENDA: See Attachment 1.
- 4. ATTENDEES: See Attachment 2.
- 5. REVIEW OF MINUTES: The Minutes from the 2 May meeting were approved as written.
- 6. PRESENTATION: Ms Laura Olah, Executive Director for Citizens for Safe Water Around Badger (CSWAB) expressed the concern of her organization regarding possible perchlorate contamination in groundwater at military facilities in Wisconsin. She is lobbying to have the State of Wisconsin set a health-based standard for perchlorate and to monitor groundwater for perchlorate contamination. She distributed a report entitled 'The Potential for Perchlorate Contamination, A Case Study: Badger Army Ammunition Plant'.

7. ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Membership Issues: Scott Szymanski, of the WDNR La Crosse Office, has joined the Alliance, replacing Ginger Hooper. Hugh will update the List Serve.
- b. Web Site Update: Jerry reported that he posted the writeup from the Army National Guard to the web site. Still need the Air Force Reserves writeup. Hugh promised to provide Paul the web site address so he can look at the other writeups and do a similar Air Force Reserve writeup. The 2001 Annual Achievement Report has been posted to the web site and the Minutes are up-to-date on the web site.

- c. Alliance Awards Update: A Wisconsin/DOD P2 Alliance Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Ginger Hooper, WDNR, for her contributions to support the startup of the Alliance (See attachment 3). Ginger has moved on to an enforcement position and no longer can be a member of the Alliance. No new award nominations were presented.
- d. Success Stories: No writeups of success stories were presented. However considerable discussion ensued on the benefits of the CRI contractor. Pete will write up a success story for the Alliance.

e. Training Opportunities:

- (1). Al Balliett mentioned that he hopes to have ISO 14001 training at Fort McCoy in FY 03 and would be willing to have other Alliance entities sit in on the training. Once the training date is finalized, Al will send information out on the List Serve.
- (2). Hugh and Phil mentioned that there is also a good possibility that EPA Region 5 may offer EMS training in FY 03 for Federal Facilities in conjunction with another nearby EPA Region.
- (3). Hugh and Phil also mentioned that the EPA National Risk Management Research Laboratory will be sponsoring a workshop for Region 5 personnel in FY 03, probably in Cincinnati, on Pollution Prevention Opportunity Assessments. A significant portion of this workshop will address EMS. Phil passed out CDs containing the document 'An Organizational Guide to Pollution Prevention' which will serve as the basis for this training.
- (4). Pete mentioned that under the State of Wisconsin Hazardous Waste Contract, hazardous waste training is available to State agencies free of charge. Pete is Chairman of the Training Committee and is seeking to get WDNR participation both in establishing the training curriculum and in having WDNR personnel attend the training. Jerry will try and identify a WDNR POC for Pete. Federal agencies are not eligible for free training but could probably attend on a fee basis.
- f. Opportunity Assessments: None have been conducted. It was mentioned that some of the recycling funding has been restored to the Wisconsin Solid and Hazardous Waste Education Center so it may be possible for Jack to conduct assessments in the future. Volk Field indicated that they are looking for assistance or information on options to separate lead from small arms firing ranges from the rubber used as the backstop on the range.

- g. Historical File: Pete mentioned that the Historical File is split into two volumes. It was suggested that a Table of Contents be prepared and posted on the web site. This way anyone wanting to access an item of the file can contact Pete to get a copy of the interested material. Pete will prepare the Table of Contents and Jerry will post to the web site.
- h. CY 2002 Annual Work Plan: The Alliance formally adopted the CY 2002 Annual Work Plan that had been revised at the previous meeting. Jerry will post to the web site.

i. Miscellaneous Discussion:

- (1). Pete lead a discussion on a WDNR guidance document on 'Waste Antifreeze: Guidance for Generators, Transporters and Recyclers'. Pete was trying to prepare a Request for Proposal for antifreeze recycling but the guidance document seemed to indicate that antifreeze is inherently hazardous. Other Alliance members indicated they treat antifreeze as non-hazardous and have analyses (particularly lead content) to confirm it. Jerry will try and get WDNR to relook the Guidance document and update if appropriate.
- (2). Paul Heeren mentioned a program he is the POC for at the Air Reserve Base in Milwaukee. This is a transportation incentive program to use mass transit whereby employees are given a monthly allowance to use mass transit options to commute to and from work.

8. TASKINGS FOR THE NEXT MEETING:

- a. Update the List Serve Hugh
- b. Send Paul the Alliance web site address so the AF Reserves can review Hugh
- c. Prepare the AF Reserve writeup for the web site members page Paul
- d. Write up the CRI success story Pete
- e. Send out info on Ft McCoy ISO 14001 training Al
- f. Get WDNR POC for Pete on HAZWASTE training Jerry
- g. Prepare Table of Contents for Historical File Pete
- h. Post the Historical File Table of Contents to the web site Jerry
- i. Post the CY 2002 Annual Work Plan to the web site Jerry
- j. Have the WDNR Guidance Document on Waste Antifreeze reviewed Jerry
- k. Contact the Milwaukee Air Reserve Base for hosting the next meeting Hugh
- 9. NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Thursday, 12 December at the Air Reserve Base, Mitchell Field, Milwaukee.